



MSRPS Maryland State Retirement and Pension System

New Trustee Elected to MSRPS

Kenneth B. Haines to Complete Term of William D. Brown

Press Release

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The Board of Trustees of the Maryland State Retirement and Pension System (MSRPS) today recognized Kenneth B. Haines—a veteran Prince George's County teacher with experience both in the classroom and at the bargaining table—as its newest member.

Haines, a foreign language instructor at Northwest High School in Hyattsville, also is president of the Prince George's County Educators' Association (PGCEA), the bargaining unit for the county's 9,000 teachers. He ran unopposed for one of the five elected positions on the 14-member board of the Maryland State Retirement and Pension System (MSRPS) after collecting nominations from 500 active or retired teacher members.

"I look forward to this opportunity to serve all those with a vested interest in the Maryland State Retirement and Pension System," said Haines. "It was an honor simply to be considered worthy by my colleagues."

On the pension system board, Haines will fill out the term of William D. Brown, which expires July 31, 2013. Brown served as a trustee for 14 years, until his retirement in July from Montgomery County Public Schools.

"Congratulations to Mr. Haines on his selection to the Board," said Brown. "His long time experience in working for the benefit of educators will serve him well in protecting the interest of all of our members. I have been honored to serve on the Board of Trustees. I thank my fellow Trustees and the SRA staff for the tremendous role they play in working in the interest of the system's members. Keep up the great work."

As a member of the PGCEA negotiating team, Haines has performed cost-analysis of salary and benefit proposals valued at up to \$850 million for school system faculty. Before being named union president, Haines served a term as vice president and two as treasurer, where he chaired the committee charged with oversight and analysis of the budget process.

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